

Characteristics of Undergraduate Students

1. Basic Skills Testing and Remediation by Subject Area

Incoming students at PCCC are tested on Accuplacer to identify if they need remediation in the areas of Reading, Writing or Mathematics. This year more than 1,900 students were tested on Accuplacer and almost 99 percent were identified to have remedial needs.

More than seventy-seven percent of first-time full-time, degree-seeking students required remediation in at least one area, i.e., reading, writing or math. A significantly higher proportion of them required remediation in Math (over 73 percent) compared to those requiring remediation in English, i.e., Reading (46 percent) and Writing (over 47 percent).

a. Name of the basic skills placement test administered and criteria (if any) for selecting test takers in fall 2007:

Table II C. Basic Skills Placement Test

Accuplacer For Basic Skills Placement

b. Total Number of Undergraduate Students Enrolled in Fall 2008

Table II C.2.1
Number of Students Tested and Needing Remediation: Fall 2008

Total Fall 2007 Undergrad Enrollment	Number of Students Enrolled in one or more remedial courses	Percent of total
7,902	2,399	30.4

Table II C.2.2

Total Number of First-time, Full-time Undergraduates (FTFT) Enrolled in Remediation in Fall 2008

Total number of FTFR	Number of First-time, full-time students enrolled in one or more remedial courses	Percent of FTFR enrolled in on or more remedial courses

Table II C.2.3
First-time Full-time Undergraduates (FTFT) Enrolled in Fall 2008
By Subject Areas

Subject Area	N	FTFR Percent
Reading	282	45.9
Writing	291	47.3
Math- Computation	296	48.1
Math- Algebra	154	25.0

2. Demographics: Race/Ethnicity, Sex and Age

In the fall of 2008, over 7,900 students enrolled in various programs at Passaic County Community College, and among them 24 percent joined the institution for the first-time. Over 83 percent of the new students were regular admits. Additionally, more than 11 percent transferred from other institutions. Among those who enrolle for the first time, almost 58 percent started with remedial courses, over 24 percent started with ESL courses and 18 percent took college level courses.

Among all enrolled students, a large proportion comprised of degree-seeking students (over 93 percent), while almost two-thirds enrolled as part-time students. More than 62 percent of the enrolled students were females and among those who provided information regarding their race/ethnicity, almost 48 percent were Hispanics, 21 percent were White, 16 percent were African-Americans and over 5 percent were Asians. The average age of all enrolled students was 26.5 years, while the average age of first-time, freshmen was less than 22 years.

Over 99 percent of all enrolled students were from within the state of New Jersey and over 87 percent represented from the Passaic County of New Jersey.

Table II C.3
Undergraduate Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity: Fall 2008

	Full-time		Par	Part-time	
	N	Percent	N	Percent	
White	633	27.2	1,089	19.5	1,722
Black	364	15.6	868	15.6	1,232
Hispanic	945	40.6	2,686	48.2	3,631
Asian	122	5.2	278	5.0	400
American Ind.	6	0.3	10	0.2	16
Alien	60	2.6	159	2.9	219
Unknown	197	8.5	485	8.7	682
Total	2,296	100.0	5,575	100.0	7,902

Table II C.3.b Undergraduate Enrollment by Sex: Fall 2008

	Full-time		Part-time		Total
	N	Percent	N	Percent	
Male	1,000	43.4	1,961	35.2	2,970
Female	1,318	56.6	3,614	64.8	4,932
Total	2,327	100.0	5,575	100.0	7,902

Table II C.3.c Undergraduate Enrollment by Age: Fall 2008

	Full-time		Part	Part-time	
	N	Percent	N	Percent	
Less than 18	28	1.2	346	6.2	374
18 - 19	944	40.6	768	13.8	1,712
		20.7		12.0	1 110
20 - 21	663	28.5	777	13.9	1,440
22 - 24	340	14.6	817	14.7	1,157
25 - 29	189	8.1	834	15.0	1,023
30 - 34	55	2.4	576	10.3	631
35 - 39	40	1.7	485	8.7	525
40 - 49	46	2.0	674	12.1	720
50 - 64	17	0.7	242	4.3	259
65 and more	0	0.0	22	0.3	22
Unknown	5	0.2	34	0.6	39
Total	2,327	100.0	5,575	100.0	7,902

3. Number of Students Receiving Financial Assistance under each state-funded aid program, including both need-based and merit based, both grants and loans (TAG, EOF, OSRP, Distinguished Scholars, Urban Scholars, NJSTARS and NJCLASS)

Table II C.4

Type and Amount of Financial Aid: FY 2008

State	Recipients	Awards	Dollars (\$)	\$/Recipient	\$/Award
Programs					
TAG	1,517	2,456	1,665,523	1,097.91	678.14
EOF	236	374	188,458	798.55	503.90
Urban	17	30	13,950	820.59	465.00
Scholars					
NJCLASS		2	5,545		2,772.50
loans					
NJStars	42		97,444	2,320.10	

Federal Programs	Recipients	Dollars (\$)	\$/ Recipient
Pell Grants	3,148	7,193,000	2,284.94
College Work	129	402,000	3,116.28
Study			
SEOG	1,124	193,000	171.71
Stafford Loans	51	277,000	5,431.37
(Subsidized)			
Stafford Loans	29	135,000	4,655.17
(Unsubsidized)			

Institutional Programs	Recipients	Dollars (\$)
Grants/Scholarships	0	1,200,000

4. Percentage of Students who are from New Jersey

Table II C.5 Residency of First-time, Full-time Undergraduates: Fall 2008

State Residents	Non-State Residents	Total Students	State Residents (%)
614	1	615	99.8